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JAPANESE CRUISER IS NOT IN DANGER

Ship in Mexican Waters and All Americans Can Do is to Take the Men Off.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The Japanese cruiser, Asama, aground in the Turtle bay, near Port San Bartolome, Lower California, is in "no immediate danger," according to a report to the navy department today from Rear Admiral Howard, commanding the Pacific fleet in Mexican waters. Admiral Howard is due to reach the Asama today on the cruiser, San Diego. His report was based on a radiogram from the cruiser, Raleigh, which already has reached the stranded ship.

Officials were reticent in discussing the international phases of the case arising from the fact that warships of the United States, a neutral nation, are aiding the armed forces of a belligerent nation in waters foreign to the United States. The situation, it was said, is unique in international law. The ship upon which the Asama grounded is believed to be within the territorial waters of Mexico.

Official opinion inclined to the view that the most the American vessels could do was to take the officers and crew off the ship. The dictates of humanity, it was pointed out, as interpreted by international law, permits the rescue of belligerent persons by neutrals but would not allow the American craft to assist in refloating the vessel.

LEADERS CALLED ON TO END THE STRIFE

In Mexico and Unite for the Good of the Country by Peace Conference.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 6.—A resolution calling on the leaders of the parties now engaged in the war in Mexico to terminate the strife and unite for the good of the country was passed by the Mexico peace conference held here today.

The resolution in the form of a message is being telegraphed tonight to Generals Carranza, Villa, Maytorena, Hill, Zapata, Angeles, Cantu and other military officials.

More than 500 delegates from almost every section of Mexico and every political party participated in the conference which was presided over by Miguel Bolanos Cacho, former governor of Oaxaca. The conference adjourned late today.

In the opening address Federico Gamboa sounded the keynote of the sentiment of those present when he said: "Mexico is a house for Mexicans and Mexicans only."

The convention decided upon a plan to bring about peace by the appointment of a permanent committee to bring about a conference of the military officials in Mexico at the earliest possible time.

RECEIVER

Is Named for a Big Orchard Company at Romney in This State.

ROMNEY, Feb. 6.—The Romney Mountain Orchard Company, one of the largest peach and apple companies in West Virginia, is in the hands of a receiver. President W. B. Cornwell, of Romney, says the troubles are due to disastrous business the past two years. The company's plant and operations were very extensive. They owned a great tract in the mountains and exceptionally fine peaches were raised, but the investment was heavy and the bonded indebtedness a great load. It cost a lot of money to get the fruit from the mountains to the packing house in the valley and a steam and electric trolley overhead car was installed at a great expense. The fruit sold at top market prices but the cost of production was excessive.

Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the National City Bank of New York, was a stockholder. Mr. Vanderlip financed the railroad extension from Romney and W. B. Cornwell, a prominent lawyer of that section, who prompted the road, enlisted Mr. Vanderlip's interests in the orchard company.

RAILWAY

Industrial Labor Conditions Are to Be Probed Next by the Federal Probers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—After hearing the testimony of three witnesses, who discussed the influence of the Rockefeller Foundation, the federal commission on industrial relations today adjourned its hearings in this city. Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the commission, announced that the commission would resume its investigation in Chicago in the early part of March when labor conditions in the railway industries will be the subject of inquiry. Later, he said, the commission would investigate labor conditions in the Michigan metal mines, in the textile industry of Georgia and Massachusetts and in the steel industry.

Before the commission adjourned, Samuel Untermyer furnished a statement requested by the commission in support of his assertion that J. P. Morgan and Company and Kuhn, Loeb and Company dominate a majority of the railroads of the country. In this statement, he declared that his claim was founded on "provable facts" and was supported by the findings of the congressional committee which investigated the so-called "money trust."

NO NOTABLE ACTION.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6.—A communication from the army of the Caucasus says: "During the course of February 5 no notable action was reported."

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ECONOMY

Speeches Are Delivered in the House by Fitzgerald and Leader Underwood.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Economy speeches were delivered in the House today by Chairman Fitzgerald of the appropriations committee and Majority Leader Underwood.

"If all the demands made upon Congress by the executive departments at this session of Congress had been granted," said Representative Fitzgerald, "the United States, the first nation in wealth in the world, would have become the world's first bankrupt nation."

Mr. Underwood declared that "unless some plan is evolved to centralize the control of these expenditures and to curb reckless extravagance and waste, I can see no end to the increased taxes that must be imposed upon the people."

Representative Gillett, of Massachusetts, ranking Republican of the appropriations committee, criticized the administration for extravagance.

BRIDGES BURNED

Opposite Douglas, Ariz., by a Carranza Commander to Enforce Food Embargo.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Feb. 6.—To enforce his recent embargo on the shipment of food and merchandise into the country south of Agua Prieta, General P. Elias Calles, the Carranza commander opposite here, burned a number of bridges on the Nacozari railroad today. Three hundred Americans living in the country southward, which is controlled by the Maytorena faction, now are cut off from means of transportation of supplies.

Carranza officials at Agua Prieta announced today that sentences of death for having aided Maytorena in various ways had been passed upon G. Kron, superintendent of the Carranza branch of the Southern Pacific of Mexico; O. H. Saunders, Naco agent of the same company, and two other Americans. As they are in territory controlled by Maytorena none of the men is in immediate danger.

BANK LOSSES

Sustained through Unlawful Investments Must Be Made Good by Directors.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Active steps have been taken by treasury officials to compel directors of at least six national banks in New York City personally to make good losses sustained by their institutions through investments not authorized by law. Officials refused to give the names of the banks, but it was said that none of them was in the slightest danger and that the total amount involved was a few million dollars.

The investments took the form, it is said, of underwriting operations and occurred several years ago. Many of the directors of the banks at the time are said not now to be connected with these institutions but restitution has been demanded nevertheless.

BLANKS ARRIVE

At Branch Internal Revenue Officers for the Sale of Opiates and the Like.

The blanks for the sale of opiates, cocaine and their derivatives and opium and derivatives by doctors on prescription, pharmacists, or veterinarians have arrived at the branch internal revenue office where they may be secured. The law provides that these blanks be used for all purchases. The provisions of the law are very strict. The penalty for not using the blanks, making a sale or giving a prescription for any of these drugs in violation of the law is a severe one.

All physicians and others must register at the internal revenue office, and must make application for form No. 678 to be used for this purpose, and also pay a special tax of 34 cents for four months.

VERA CRUZ

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here, reiterated his purpose not to compromise with the other leaders in Mexico and declared he will continue to ignore "any group calling itself a convention or congress or assembly that may attempt to meddle with the government of his country, irrespective of the fact whether it is civilian or military."

Continuing he says he will not call a general conference of chiefs as "long as the war continues" and that "when peace is restored he will call a congress elected 'by all the citizens.'"

Summary of Despatches.

The state department's summary of its despatches from Mexico issued tonight was in part as follows:

"The department is informed that on the night of February 3, the authorities in Mexico City issued an official notice to the effect that all Villa and Chihuahua bills were worthless."

"It is reported that many public have called a meeting of protest against the removal of public offices to Vera Cruz and the closing of schools, etc."

"It is reported that many public employees have been thrown out of work."

"It is stated that Villareal, the secretary of the treasury under Carranza and Gutierrez, was imprisoned on February 3."

JAILED FOR CONTEMPT

Bert Dinger was arrested and jailed Saturday by a deputy sheriff on a charge of contempt of court arising from failure to pay alimony as directed by a circuit court order.

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Police Raid "The Oak" And Catch Seventeen

Only Enough Cash for Three Bonds and the Rest Are Locked Up.

Police Chief Harry L. Brooks, Lieutenant Nicholas M. Whyte and Patrolman Grant Shope and O. D. McClelland raided a room on the second floor of the West Pike street building known as "The Oak" at 1 o'clock this morning and caught seventeen men of about two dozen who were seated around a big card table, presumably playing cards.

What looked to be several packs of cards and boxes of poker chips were hurried through windows by some of the occupants when the police broke into the place, but many cards and chips were scattered around the floor. All indications were that a big poker game had been going on.

The seventeen men were taken to police headquarters and as there was only enough cash in the crowd to furnish bond for three men, the others were locked up to await the arrival of friends to furnish it for them. The cases will be tried by the next session of police court by Mayor Cole.

The following names, probably all fictitious, were registered upon the police court blotter: R. S. Smith, Frank Jones, Bill Dinger, Jack Smith, Frank Whitney, Fay Scott, James Ross, John Doe, D. E. Scott, Charles Smith, R. A. Ross, H. R. Bussey, R. B. Smith, D. Davis, Frank Whitman, John Williams and Tom Davison.

GERMANY

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German loss at 30,000.

In the Carpathians and in Bukovina hard fighting is also going on. The Russians with a strong force are making desperate efforts to drive the Austrians from Dukla and other passes and although the snow lies deep in the mountains the battles continue night and day.

Very Quiet Day.

Along the western front, so far as official reports disclose, (this has been one of the quietest days for weeks) the artillery of course has been busy but, it is by mutual consent, the armies have refrained from infantry attacks.

There has been no further fighting in Egypt but statements from Turkish prisoners show that the Turks brought a great number of boats across the desert, drawn by oxen. They were somewhat surprised to find a strong force awaiting them and were compelled to surrender when troops got behind them and hemmed them in. In some cases the Turks were allowed to launch their boats before the British opened fire and sank them.

Earl Grey, addressing a meeting today, said that War Secretary Kitchner, in August, asked him to appeal to the miners of Northumberland for five new battalions. Instead they raised twenty battalions.

NO SERVICES TODAY.

Owing to the illness of the rector, the Rev. Charles Baird Mitchell, who is suffering from a severe attack of lumbago, there will be no services morning or evening in Christ Episcopal church today. The Rev. Mr. Mitchell has been in bed nearly all the week. He is contemplating going to a hospital in some eastern city this week for treatment.

More than nine million young trees and ten thousand pounds of seed were planted on the national forests in 1914.

COLON AGROUND

Inside Mexican Breakers But All Persons on Board Will Be Taken Off Safe.

ON BOARD U. S. S. SAN DIEGO, via radio to San Diego, Calif., Feb. 6.—All of the passengers and crew of the steamer Colon, which is aground inside the breakers of Topolobampo, Mexico, will be saved. The cruiser Maryland, and the gunboat Annapolis, are standing by and transferring those on board the grounded steamer to the Maryland and ashore. The Colon is fast in the sand and leaking badly.

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